

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the Abstract on page 23, lines 1-15, with the following amended Abstract:

ABSTRACT

Methods for validating fields of a form are provided. In a client-server transaction, ~~wherein~~ a form is received by the server having one or more fields associated therewith. Input data are received from the client and associated with the fields of the form, and once the input data are received on the server, or within the fields of the form, it is validated. Moreover, a method of processing a form during a client-server transaction is provided wherein a client-server connection is established between a client and a server. Next, input data from the client are received and associated with a first field of a form. The input data are validated before permitting the client to provide additional data associated with a second field of the form. Further, a method of processing a shipping form is provided ~~wherein a shipping form is received on a server. The form has one or more modifiable fields.~~ Input data inserted ~~by the client into one or more the fields~~ are interactively validated as provided by the client.